## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph 0024 on page 7 as follows:

-- In yet another embodiment, overlay 101 includes a lighting device 109 ~~(not shown)~~ that can be used to illuminate the button structures so that a user can see the button structures under low-light conditions. For example, overlay 101 can include a light emitting diode (LED) 111 and a power source 113 (e.g., a battery) that is configured to provide edge lighting of the overlay. In one embodiment, the power source 113 can be turned on and off using one of the button structures of the overlay. --

Please amend paragraph 0028 on page 9 as follows:

-- In an alternative embodiment, overlay 101 includes a redirector 115 ~~(not shown)~~ that is positioned over the infrared port 117 of the PDA device. The redirector is used to change the direction of the infrared beam 117 so that a user can simultaneously view the button structure(s) of the overlay while directing an infrared beam toward a desired appliance. For example, in one embodiment the redirector 115 could be implemented using a fiber optic plate (similar to that described above) with a bend in the optical fiber segments that form the plate. In such an embodiment, the overlay can be formed so that the redirector 115 resembles a flange-like structure at the top side of the overlay, whereby the redirector covers the IR port of the PDA device. Other optical structures (e.g., a mirror, prism, etc.) can be used to implement the redirector 115 in other embodiments. --

Please amend paragraph 0025 on page 7 as follows:

-- In another embodiment, overlay 101 includes a cutout slot ~~(not shown)~~ 301 as illustrated in FIG. 3 that houses a slider button 303 on the top side and a respective nib on the other side such that the slider button is captive and is forced to move only along the slot 301 and up and down similar to the other buttons. When the user actuates the slider button 303 by pressing and sliding it, the nib in turn actuates a virtual slider on the touch screen display. --